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VEA Vision and Mission



VEA Vision Statement:

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VEA Mission Statement:

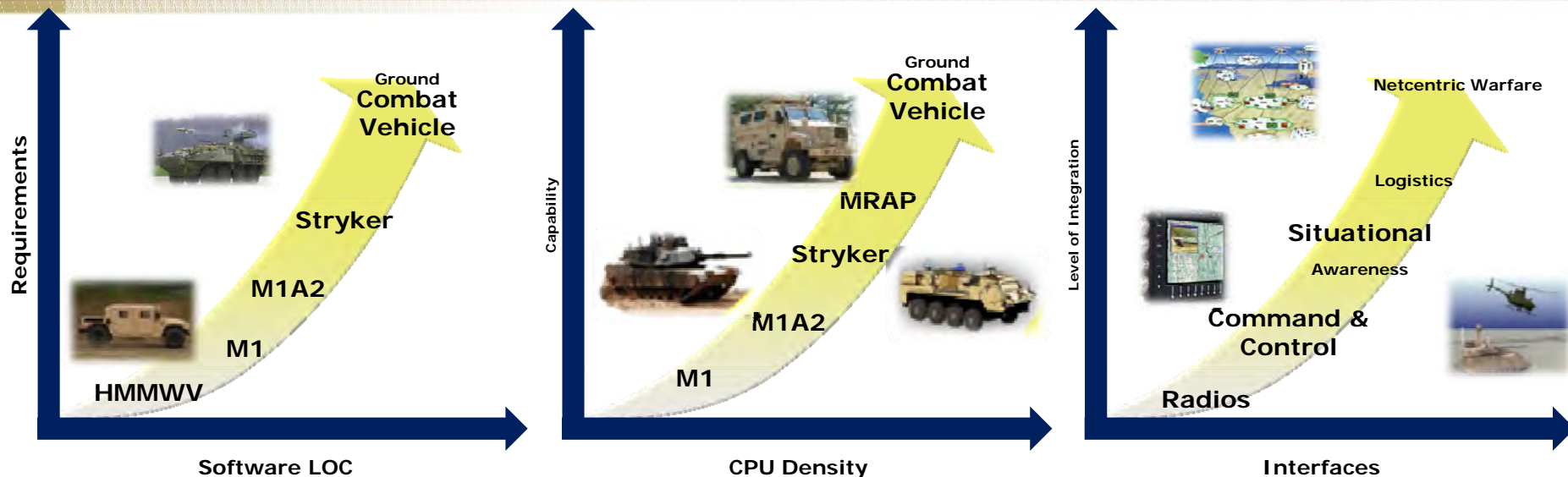
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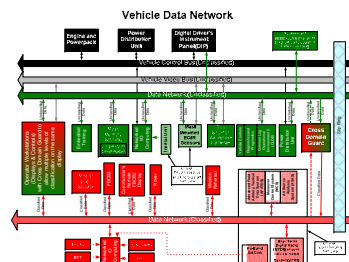
Increasing Vehicle Electronics



Increasing demands and operational flexibility
Require technology investments in key areas



Vehicle Networks



Architectures



Computers

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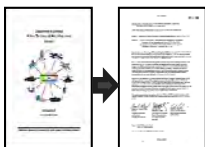
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Excellence in Vehicle Electronics



Full System Lifecycle Support



Systems Engineering Processes

Requirements

Architectures &
Standards

Software
Development

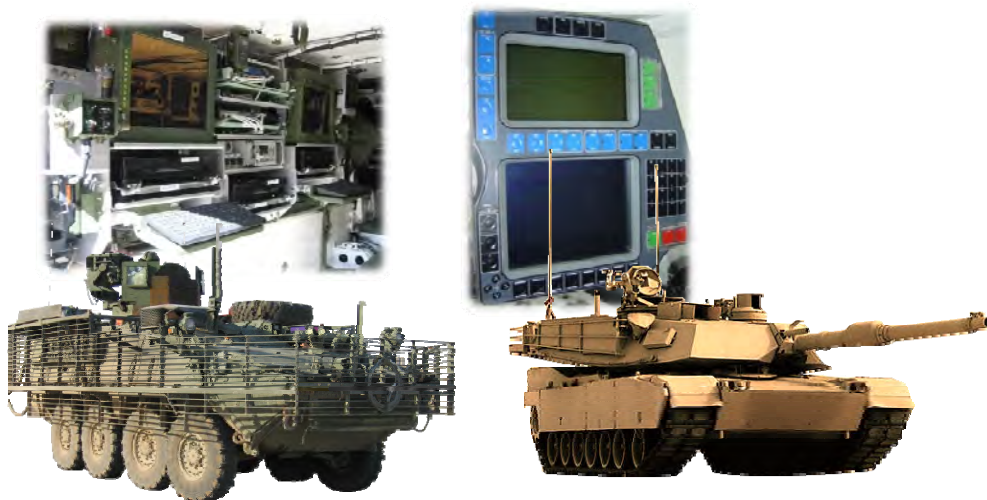
System Integration

Testing

Field Support

Sustainment

Supporting the Current Force



Enabling the Future Fight



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VEA Strategy Map

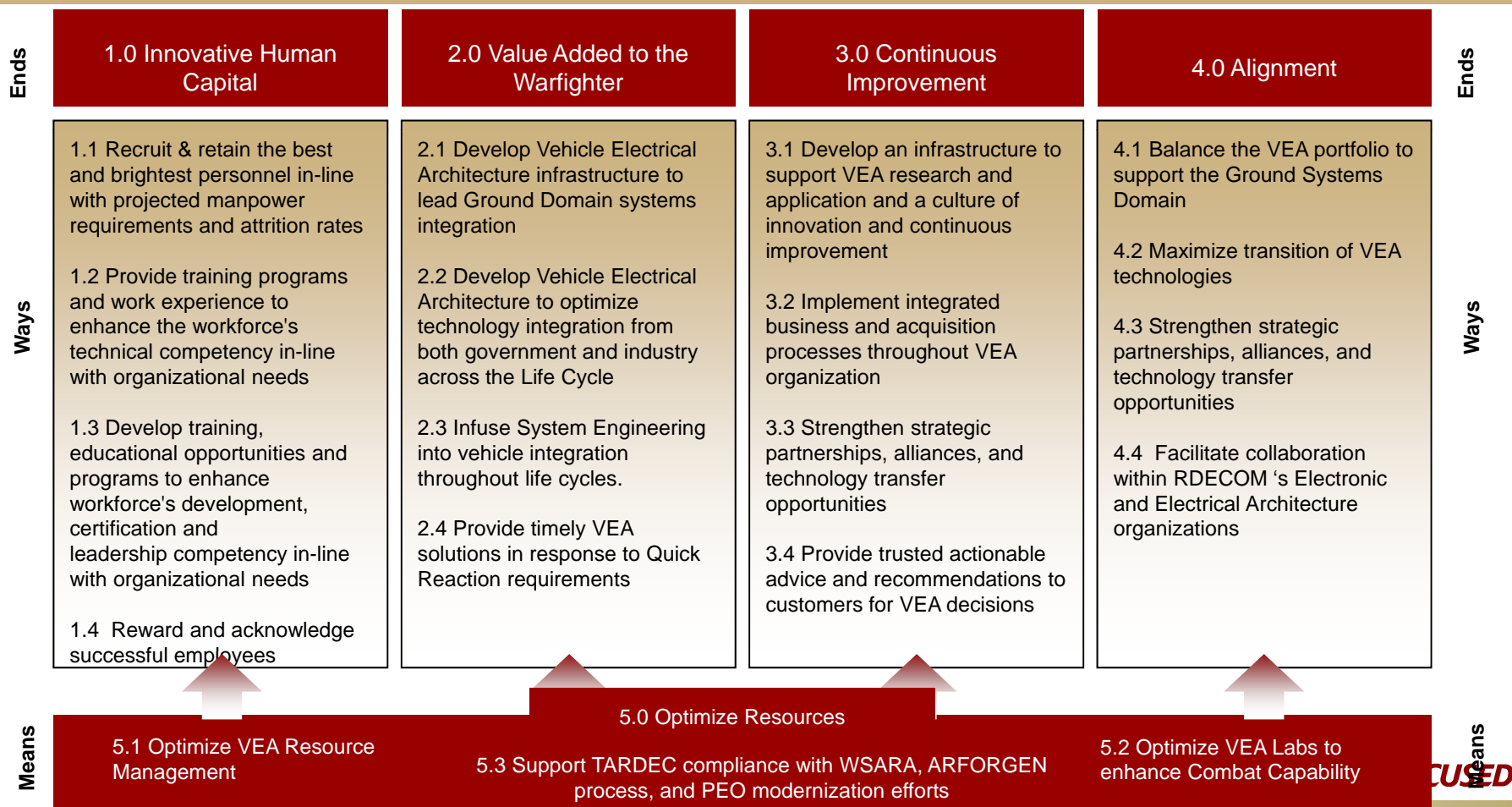


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Mission:

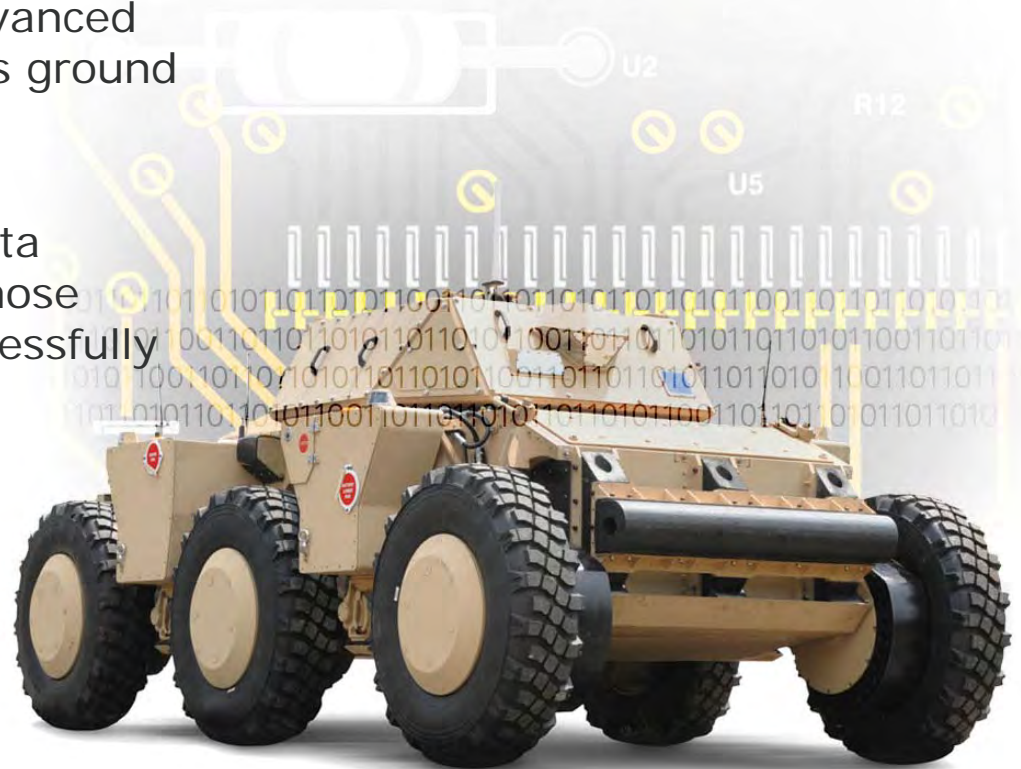
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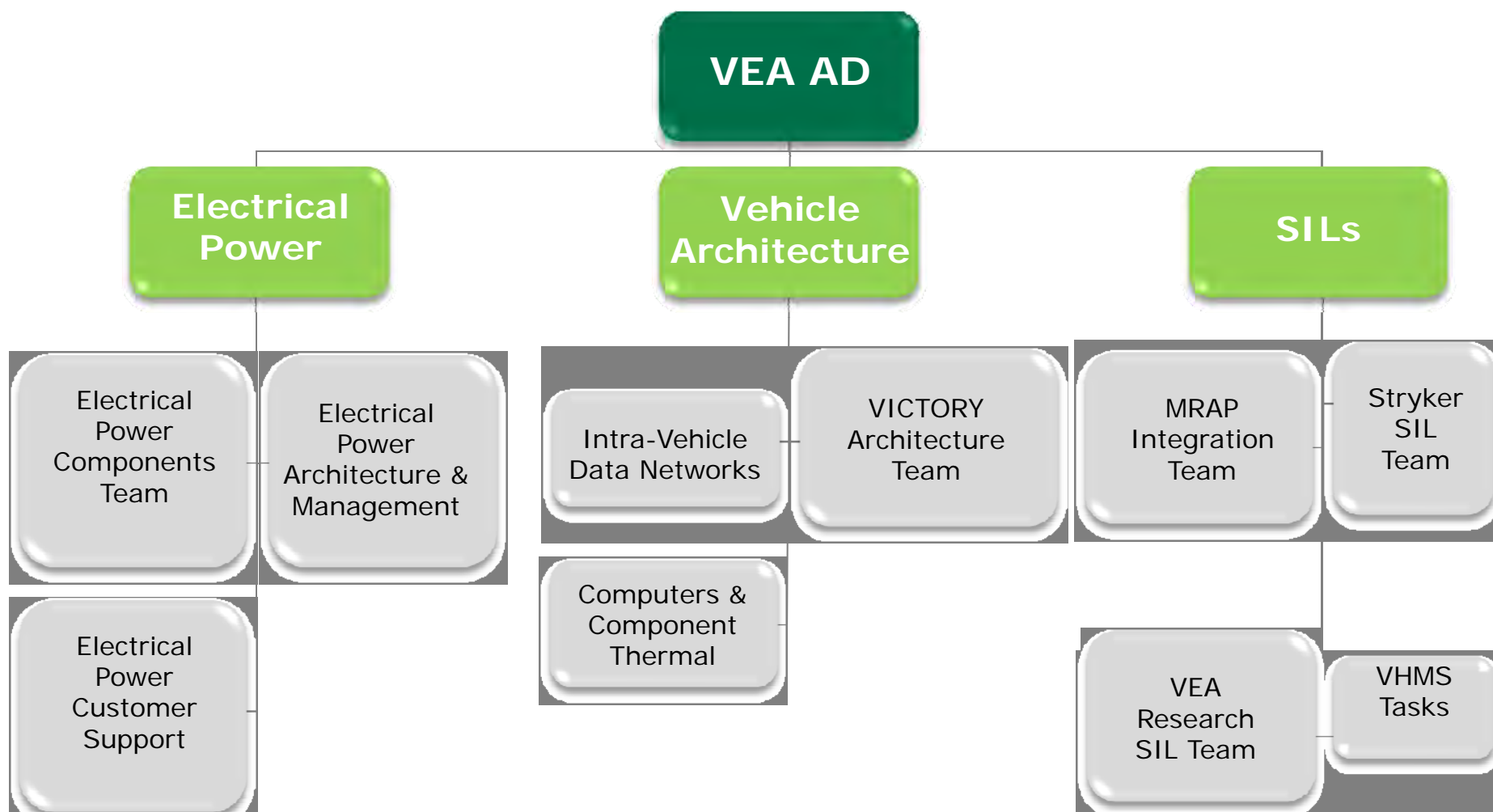
- The **Vehicle Electronics and Architecture (VEA)** focus area is responsible for developing the essential support structure needed to accommodate the numerous advanced technologies prevalent in today's ground vehicles.

- We develop the software and data networks necessary to ensure those technologies work together successfully without compromising power and mobility.

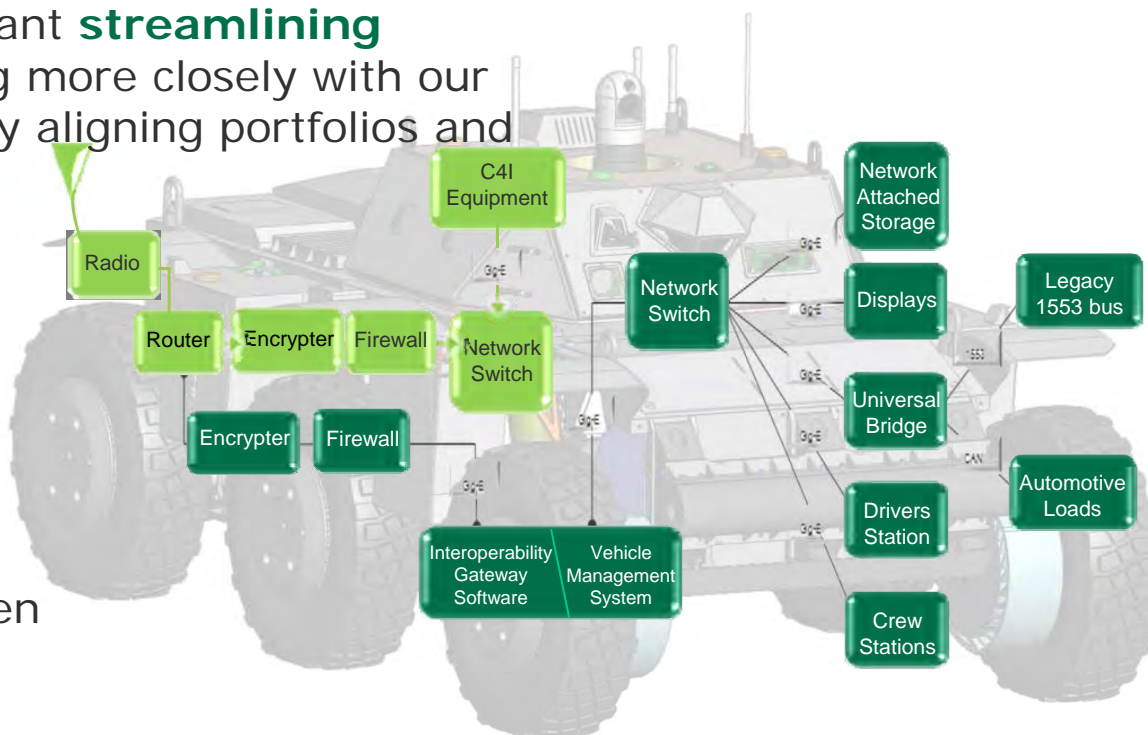
- TARDEC's VEA work centers on three core functions:
 - **Electrical power**
 - **Vehicle Architecture**
 - **Systems integration laboratories (SILs)**



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- The Army has placed a renewed emphasis on **developing efficiencies** where possible in order to get the best value from our limited resources.
- At TARDEC this has meant **streamlining processes** and working more closely with our partner organizations by aligning portfolios and leveraging support.
- Several of the major projects currently underway within VEA contribute to these efforts by exploiting the potential for **commonalities** between vehicle platforms.

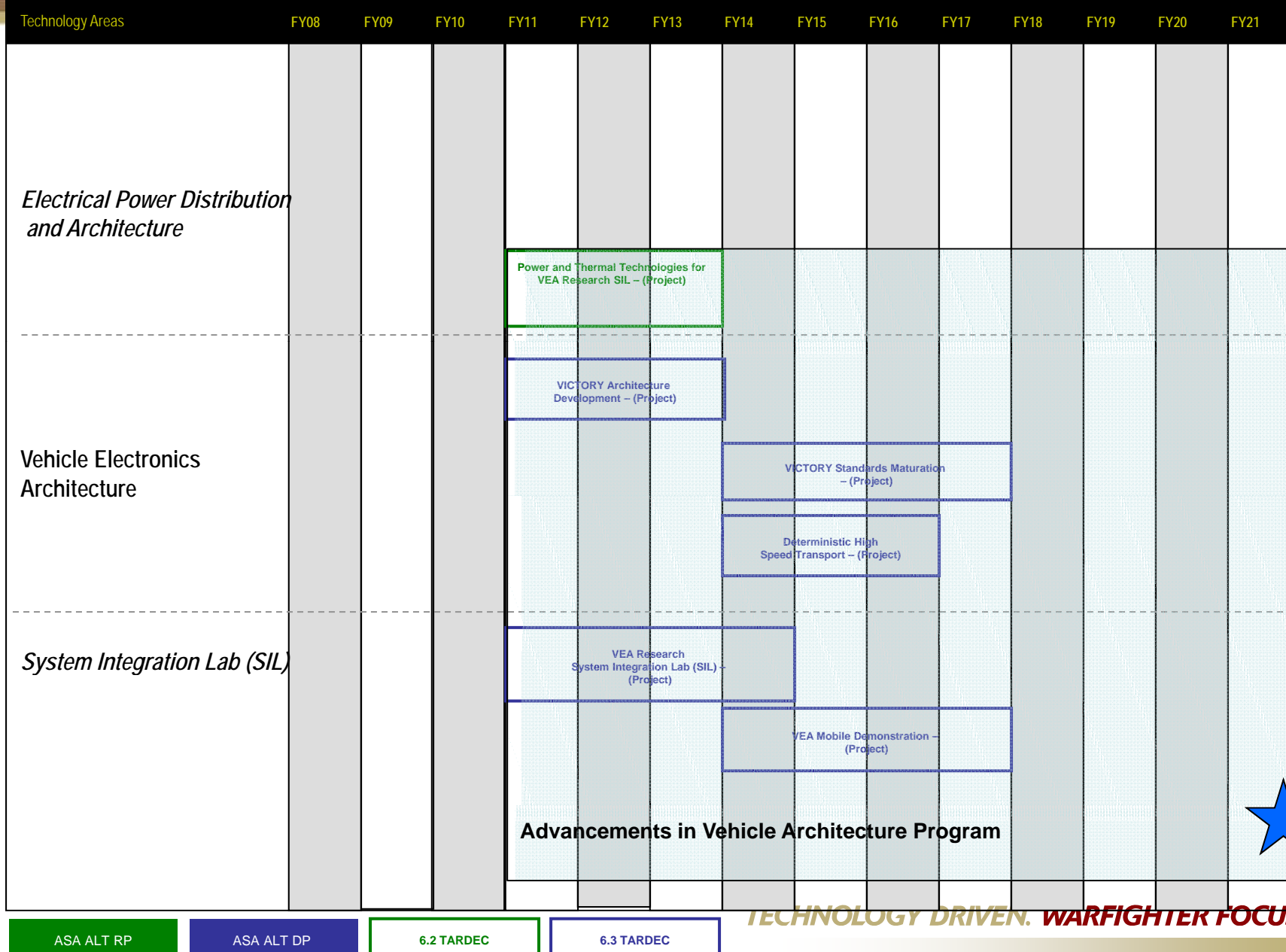


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Vehicle Electronics and Architecture Roadmap – Revised PMR 4QFY11



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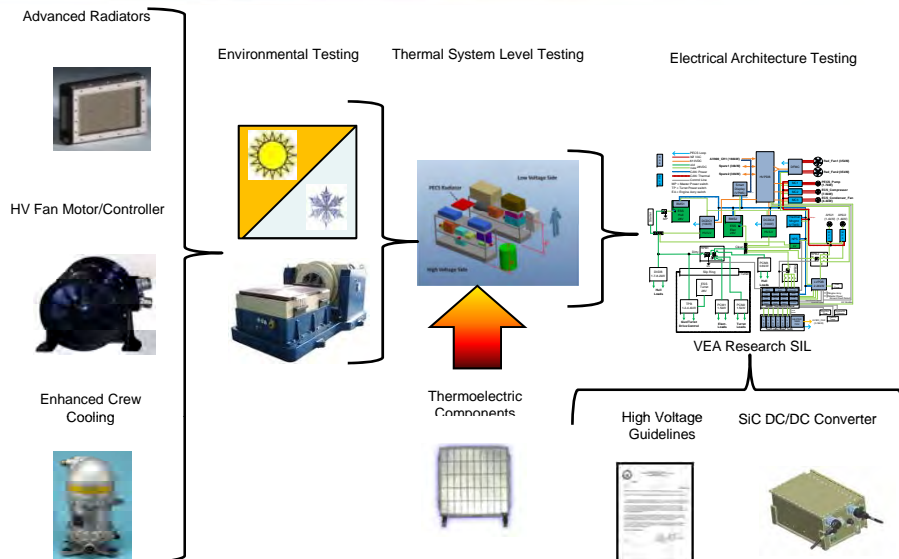


- The **Electrical Power** group focuses on customer engineering, research and development, architecture and management and auxiliary systems. One current project of note is the development of common electrical power standards.
- Each manufacturer uses its own voltage standard for electrical power systems and the different standards are not compatible with each other, meaning vehicles often require unique solutions and components.
- Developing an enabler for electrical power architecture will allow seamless electrical integration of any load that converts or consumes electrical power. It creates commonalities for ground vehicles that adopt the standards.
- Having set standards for new start and modernization programs leads to common components and plug and play ability between platforms, common implementations and control schemes that reduce training.

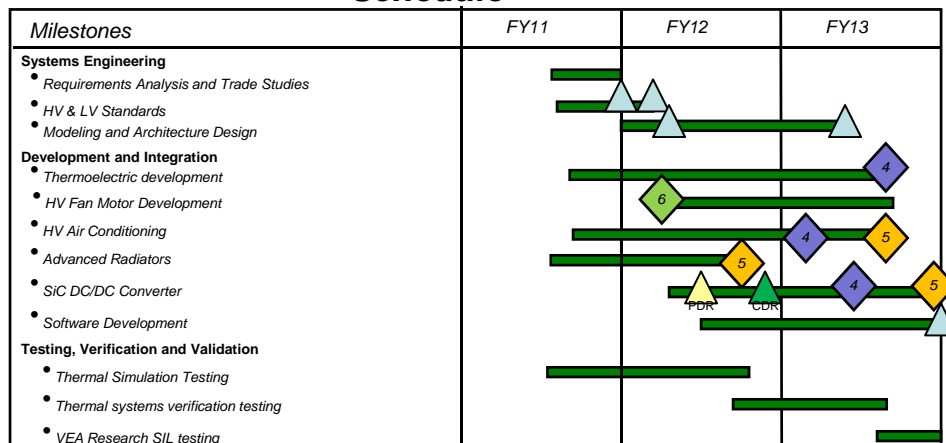




VEA—Power & Thermal Technologies for VEA Research SIL



Schedule



Purpose:

To develop and demonstrate military ground vehicle advanced power and thermal management capabilities in a SIL environment

Products:

- 600VDC Voltage Specification
- 600VDC Safety Specification
- MIL-STD-1275 update
- Modernized Power System Architecture and interfaces
- Power and Thermal Management Software V0.5
- 70kW 600VDC Cooling fan and controller (Si) 6
- 600VDC High efficiency air conditioning (Si) 5
- SiC 600/28VDC DC/DC 10kW converter 5
- Advanced micro-channel radiator for both prime and auxiliary cooling 5
- Thermoelectric module capable of recovering waste heat as usable electric energy at a conversion efficiency 8 - 12% 4

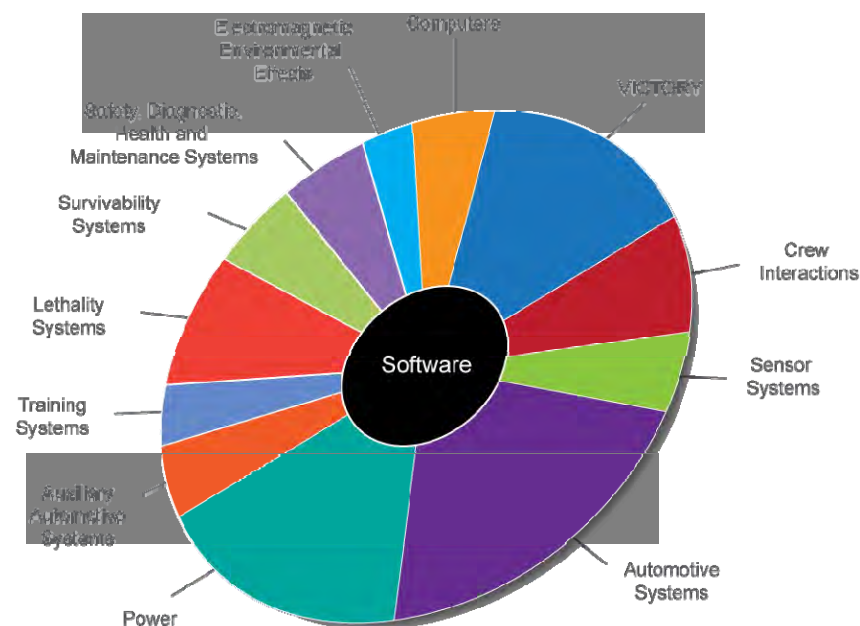
Payoff:

- Decreased SWAP-C requirements and increased efficiency for power and thermal systems (WFO #3: Power and Energy)
- Available for transition to PEO-GCS Mod programs before all MS-Cs and most MS-Bs (FY13)
- TARDEC will own/manage all electrical voltage and HV safety standards and software(Build the Bench)

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- **Vehicle Architecture** consists of intra-vehicle data networks, computers and component thermal and VICTORY architecture teams.
- One major current focus in this area for TARDEC is the Vehicular Integration for Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance/Electronic Warfare (C4ISR/EW) Interoperability (VICTORY) architecture.
- VICTORY architecture is being developed as a solution to the “bolt-on” approach to integrating C4ISR systems into ground vehicles.
- This approach inhibits functionality, negatively impacts the vehicle’s size, weight and power and limits space for the crew.

The Vehicle Architecture Problem Space



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- **VICTORY** will reduce these issues by embedding these systems directly into the platform. It provides a framework architecture, standard specifications and design guideline input.
- Originally initiated by Program Executive Office (PEO) Command, Control, Communications – Tactical (C3T), the program is a joint effort between TARDEC VEA, PEO Ground Combat Systems (GCS) and PEO Combat Support & Combat Service Support (CS&CSS).
- The end result is a capability set readily integrated onto platforms without impeding crew performance.



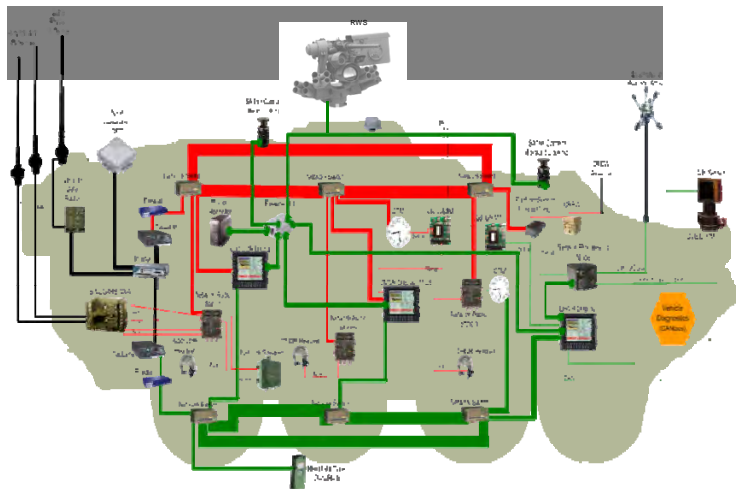
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VEA – VICTORY Architecture Development



VICTORY



Schedule

Milestones	FY11	FY12	FY13
Architecture Development			
- Receive Architecture A	▲		
- Develop Architecture B		▲	
Standards Development			
- Complete VICTORY 1.0 Standard	▲		
- Develop VICTORY 1.X Standard		▲	
VICTORY 1.0 SIL Testing			
- Modify SIL for Standards Validation	◆		
- Perform Validation and Verification on VICTORY 1.0		▲	
- Execute Interoperability Testing on VICTORY 1.0			▲

Purpose:

Develop and adopt Vehicular Integration for C4ISR/EW Interoperability (VICTORY) Specifications. Develop a System Integration Lab (SIL) reconfiguration package to perform Validation and Verification for the VICTORY Standards to support near term ECP efforts.

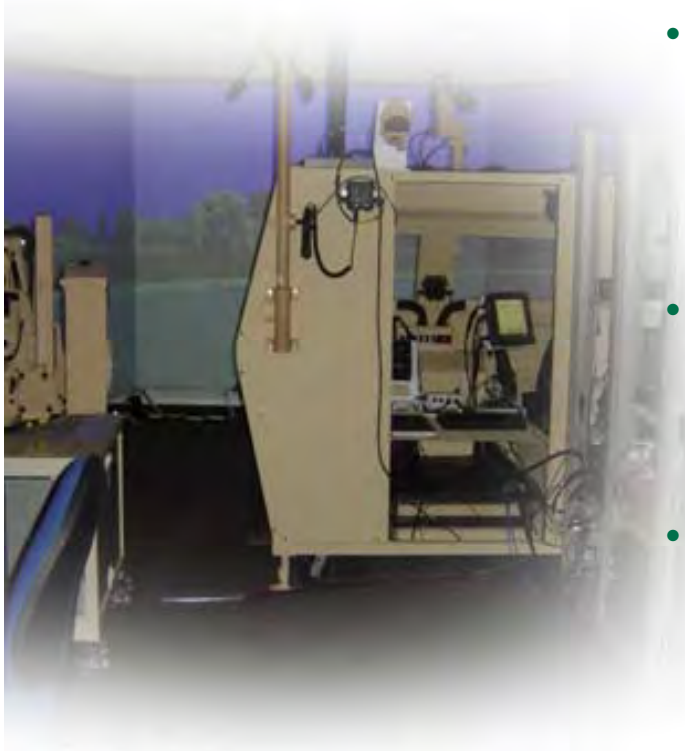
Product(s):

- VICTORY Architecture B for the VICTORY SIL
- VICTORY Standard 1.0
- VICTORY Standard 1.X
- VICTORY Standard 1.0 SIL
- VICTORY 1.0 V&V Test Results
- VICTORY 1.0 Interoperability Test Results

Payoff:

- Provides VICTORY Standards and Specifications, a Digital Architecture and a Gigabit Ethernet Bus for Military Combat Vehicles (WFO S-3, B-P1-8, A-P2-22)
- Transition to PEO GCS in FY-13 to support Modernization
- TARDEC will have a VICTORY 1.0 SIL where manufactures can bring components for testing (Shape the Market)

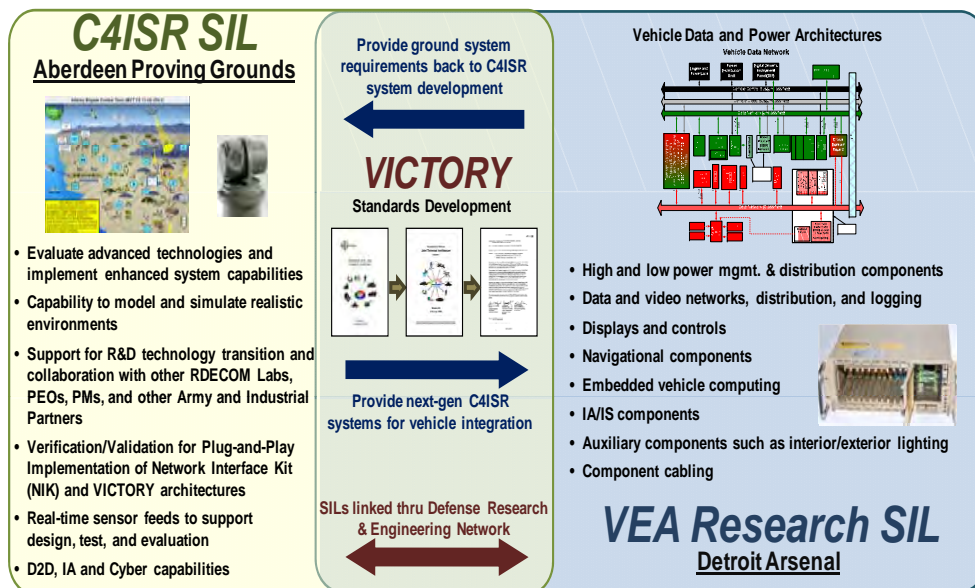
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- The **SIL** group supports Stryker Brigade Combat Team, Heavy Brigade Combat Team and the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicle Integration Team.
- The SIL will be able to configure multiple vehicle electronics implementations quickly to get valuable data to those who need it.
- It will centralize the Army's approach to integrating electronics on ground vehicles, saving cost and reducing redundant work across multiple programs, while also supporting modernization efforts.
- This group is also working to develop a **Common SIL** that will have the ability to test any piece of hardware to verify it is compatible with an open architecture and is VICTORY compliant.

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Purpose:

Develop and demonstrate an implementation of a complete VEA reference architecture to address the power, vetronics, and C4ISR integration challenges facing the ground vehicle domain. The SIL will be reconfigurable to support experimentation with future architectural concepts and implementations. It will centralize the Army's approach to integrating electronics on ground vehicles, saving cost and reducing redundant work across multiple programs.

Product(s):

- Vehicle Electronics & Architecture Research SIL**
 - HV and LV power electronics
 - Vetronics, C4ISR integrated components
 - Documented DoDAF Architecture Products
 - DREN Interface to other RDEC SILs

Payoff:

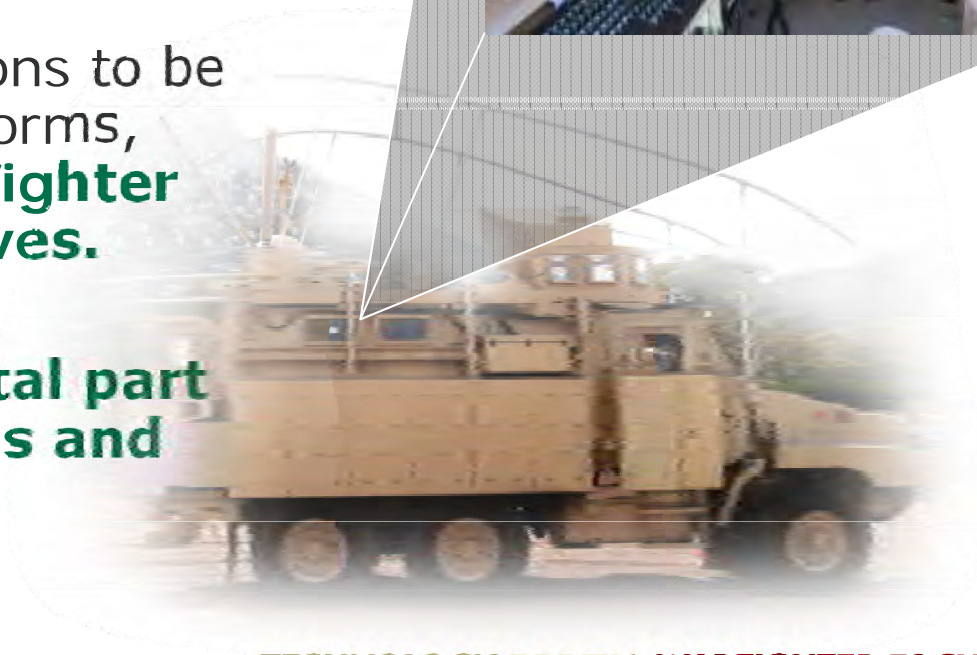
- Provide a Gigabit Ethernet Bus for Military Combat Vehicles (WFO A-P2-22, B-11); Decreased SWAP-C requirements and increased efficiency for power and thermal systems (WFO #3: Power and Energy)**
- Transitions knowledge base products (DoDAF Artifacts, Reports, Trade Studies, Specifications, etc)**
- Central project for the VEA organization (Build the bench)**

Estimated Schedule

Milestones	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14
Planning & Hiring				
Define Customer Requirements				
Functional Decomposition				
Functional Allocation & Design				
Acquire Resources / Equipment				
Build SIL				
Integrate Subsystems / Components				
Verification / Validation				

Update cost & schedule estimate based on requirements and design

- TARDEC's VEA **develops and executes Projects and Programs** that are aligned with Army goals and aimed at helping support the current and future force.
- The work of the VEA group makes it possible for the latest, most advanced technology solutions to be integrated into vehicle platforms, which ultimately **ease warfighter burdens and help save lives.**
- VEA will continue to be a **vital part of ground vehicle systems and their development.**



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